Si necesita asistencia en Español, tenemos representantes de servicio al cliente disponibles para ayudarle cuando lo solicite, por favor llame al número 1-800-999-4033.

Un intérprete que habla Español se proveerá en esta audiencia para quien lo necesite.

# NOTIFICATION OF PUBLIC PARTICIPATION HEARING REGARDING GOLDEN STATE WATER REQUEST TO INCREASE RATES FOR ITS 2019- 2021 COMPANY'S GENERAL RATE CASE APPLICATION NO. 17-07-010 LOS OSOS SERVICE AREA

Tuesday, February 6, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.
Santa Maria Public Library- Shepherd Hall
421 S. McClelland St.
Santa Maria, CA 93454

The California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) wants to hear from you and has scheduled a Public Participation Hearing (PPH) on the date, time and place listed above. The PPH has been scheduled **to receive your comments** on Golden State Water Company's (GSWC) General Rate Case (GRC) and request to increase rates for service in its Santa Maria customer service area.

The hearing's location is wheelchair accessible. A Spanish language translator will be available at this PPH for those who need it. If you need a different non-English language or Sign Language translator, or would like to request assisted listening devices, please contact the CPUC's Public Advisor's Office (PAO) at least five days prior to the hearing. If you are unable to attend the hearing, you may submit written comments directly to the PAO at the address noted at the bottom of this notice.

A CPUC Administrative Law Judge (Judge) will be presiding at this PPH to listen to concerns, comments, and opinions on the application. One or more Commissioners may attend, but **no decisions will be reached at this public hearing.** All public comments from this public hearing will be included in the formal record of this proceeding and become public record.

### SUMMARY

The CPUC requires GSWC to submit a GRC on a three-year cycle. This rate application covers the period for 2019, 2020, and 2021. GSWC is requesting authorization to increase revenues over current revenue in the Los Osos service area by \$509,700 (or 12.56%) over present revenue for 2019, and increase revenues by \$183,300 (or 4.00%) in 2020, and \$212,700 (or 4.46%) in 2021. The total requested increase for all three years combined would be \$905,800 (or 21.02%). This application is requesting an overall increase companywide (all Regions) of \$55,024,700 (or 17.66%) for 2019, 2020, and 2021.

The proposed revenue increases by customer class are shown below.

Proposed Revenue Increases (Dol	llars in Thousands)	
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Description	Current Revenue	2019 Increase		2020 Increase		2021 Increase		Total Increase	
Customer Class	\$	\$	%	\$	%	\$	%	\$	%
Residential	3,185.5	371.2	11.65%	142.2	4.00%	164.8	4.45%	678.2	21.3%
Commercial	658.5	104.9	15.93%	31.1	4.05%	36.2	4.52%	172.2	26.2%
Industrial	4.7	0.7	15.80%	0.2	4.04%	0.3	4.50%	1.2	25.9%
Public Authority	136.2	21.4	15.69%	6.3	4.02%	7.4	4.49%	35.1	25.7%
Irrigation	70.8	11.6	16.37%	3.4	4.11%	4.1	4.57%	19.1	27.0%
Other	(10.7)	0.0	0.00%	0.0	0.00%	0.0	0.00%	0.0	0.0%
Private Fire	8.9	0.0	0.00%	0.0	0.00%	0.0	0.00%	0.0	0.00%
TOTAL	4,053.8	509.7	12.56%	183.3	4.00%	212.7	4.46%	905.8	22.3%

## FOR FURTHER INFORMATION AND TO OBTAIN A COPY OF THE APPLICATION

A copy of GSWC's Application No. 17-07-010, and related exhibits, may be reviewed at GSWC's Los Osos Customer Service Area Office located at 1140 Los Olivos Ave., Los Osos, California 93402, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., and 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. The application may also be reviewed at the CPUC's Central Files Office by appointment. For more information, contact aljcentralfilesid@cpuc.ca.gov or 1-415-703-2045.

If you need additional information, you may visit <u>www.gswater.com</u> or call GSWC's 24-hour Customer Service Center; toll free, at 1-800-999-4033, TTY 1-877-933-9533.

# **CPUC PROCESS**

This application has been assigned to an Administrative Law Judge (Judge) who will determine how to receive evidence and other related documents, necessary for the CPUC to establish a record upon which to base its decision. Evidentiary Hearings (EHs) may be held where parties of record will present their testimony and may be subject to cross-examination by other parties. These EHs are open to the public, but only those who are parties of record can participate. After considering all proposals and all evidence presented during the formal hearing process, the assigned Judge will issue a proposed decision determining whether to adopt all or part of GSWC's request, modify it, or deny it. The CPUC Commissioners may sponsor an alternate decision and the issue will be decided at a scheduled CPUC Voting Meeting.

As a party of record, the Office of Ratepayer Advocates (ORA) has reviewed this application. ORA is the independent consumer advocate within the CPUC with a legislative mandate to represent investor-owned utility customers. Other parties of record will also participate in the CPUC's proceeding to consider this application. For more information about ORA, please call (415) 703-1584, e-mail ora@cpuc.ca.gov or visit ORA's website at http://ora.ca.gov/default.aspx.

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Write: CPUC Public Advisor's Office

505 Van Ness Avenue San Francisco, CA 94102

Email: public.advisor@cpuc.ca.gov

Phone: 1-866-849-8390 (toll-free) or 1-415-703-2074 1-866-836-7825 (toll-free) or TTY 1-415-703-5282

Please reference **GSWC's GRC Application No. 17-07-010** in any communications you have with the CPUC regarding this matter. All public comments will become part of the public correspondence file for this proceeding and made available for review for the assigned Judge, the Commissioners, and appropriate CPUC staff.